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- (d) The annual rates under paragraphs (c)(1) and (2) of this section must be computed as follows:
- (1) Compute an hourly rate by dividing the published annual rate of basic pay by 2,087 hours and rounding the result to the nearest cent;
- (2) Compute a biweekly rate by multiplying the hourly rate from paragraph (d)(1) of this section by 80 hours;
- (3) Compute an annual rate by multiplying the biweekly rate from paragraph (d)(2) of this section by the number of pay periods for which a paycheck is issued in the given calendar year under the agency's payroll cycle (i.e., either 26 or 27).
- (e) An agency may defer payment of the additional premium pay owed an employee as a result of the annual limitation until the end of the calendar year.
- (f) Any payment made in the current calendar year that corrects an underpayment of premium pay in a previous calendar year must be treated as being made in the previous calendar year for the purpose of applying the annual cap under this section.

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§ 550.107 Premium payments capped on a biweekly basis when an annual limitation otherwise applies.

- (a) The following types of premium pay remain subject to a biweekly limitation when other premium payments are subject to an annual limitation under §550.106:
- (1) Standby duty pay under 5 U.S.C. 5545(c)(1);
- (2) Administratively uncontrollable overtime pay under 5 U.S.C. 5545(c)(2);
- (3) Availability pay for criminal investigators under 5 U.S.C. 5545a; and
- (4) Overtime pay for hours in the regular tour of duty of a firefighter covered by 5 U.S.C. 5545b.
- (b) An employee must receive premium pay of the types identified in paragraph (a) of this section before receiving any other type of premium pay.
- (c) In any pay period during which an employee is subject to an annual limitation under §550.106, the employee may receive the types of premium pay identified in paragraph (a) of this section only to the extent that the payment does not cause the total of his or

her basic pay and such premium pay for the pay period to exceed the greater of—

- (1) The maximum biweekly rate of basic pay payable for GS-15 (including any applicable locality-based comparability payment under section 5304 or similar provision of law and any applicable special rate of pay under 5 U.S.C. 5305 or similar provision of law); or
- (2) The biweekly rate payable for level V of the Executive Schedule.
- (d) Premium pay paid, or projected to be paid, under this section is included in determining whether the sum of the employee's basic pay and premium pay would exceed the annual limitation under §550.106.

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OVERTIME PAY

§ 550.111 Authorization of overtime pay.

- (a) Except as provided in paragraphs (d), (f), and (g) of this section, overtime work means work in excess of 8 hours in a day or in excess of 40 hours in an administrative workweek that is—
- (1) Officially ordered or approved; and
- (2) Performed by an employee. Hours of work in excess of 8 in a day are not included in computing hours of work in excess of 40 hours in an administrative workweek.
- (b) Except as otherwise provided in this subpart, a department shall pay for overtime work at the rates provided in §550.113.
- (c) Overtime work in excess of any included in a regularly scheduled administrative workweek may be ordered or approved only in writing by an officer or employee to whom this authority has been specifically delegated.
- (d) For an employee for whom the first 40 hours of duty in an administrative workweek is his basic workweek under §610.111(b) of this chapter, overtime work means work in excess of 40 hours in an administrative workweek that is:
- (1) Officially ordered or approved, and
- (2) Performed by an employee, when the employee's basic pay exceeds the minimum rate for GS-10 (including any